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ter.ABANDON THE
MONROE DOCTRINE
OR LIVE UP TO IT.

The Gazette has time after time called attention to the policy of the United States toward Mexico and the danger from other nations demanding protection for its citizens under the provisions of the Monroe doctrine. We have contended that unless that policy is enforced it is useless and should be abandoned and the same conclusion is being reached by many who have given the subject the consideration it deserves.

From Washington today come reports which have a very serious tone. President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, thoroughly aroused and alarmed by the demands of Great Britain that the United States bring about peace in Mexico, sent posthaste yesterday for Ambassador Wilson from the City of Mexico.

The administration now knows that England is not asking irrelevant questions about the recognition or non-recognition of Huerta, but that she is asking the United States to act up to or abandon the Monroe Doctrine as to Mexico. In other words, the European nations, led and probably egged on by Great Britain, demand that United States make peace promptly in Mexico or let other nations cut the Gordian knot of Mexican international politics and policies.

The administration must realize by now that either this government has not been kept informed of the international plot going on in Mexico City or that it has been misinformed by some of its important agents in Mexico City as to what was happening under their very eyes.

Notwithstanding the positive statements that Ambassador Wilson has been called to Washington for consultation with the President, it is very well understood that he was coming for explanation, because of a certainty the storm at Mexico City burst on the State Department and the White House suddenly in all its dangerous importance and potentialities for protracted trouble.

No one familiar with the situation expects Ambassador Wilson to go back to Mexico City as ambassador of the United States. It is known that he has gotten along well with the Huerta government, both socially and otherwise, and as a matter of fact aside from the flimsiest kind of technicality, Ambassador Wilson has recognized the Huerta government whether the United States has recognized it or not.

The shock which has been given to President Wilson and Secretary Bryan by Great Britain is that she is not asking for the recognition of Huerta, but that she is asking the United States if she will or not do her

duty in Mexico under the Monroe Doctrine, or let the world know that this government excepts Mexico from the operation of the Monroe Doctrine.

England's position is regarded as the natural result of the quarrel of Great Britain with the United States over the Panama Canal tolls affair and of the quarrel of Japan, Great Britain's ally, with the United States over the California alien land law affair.

Both Great Britain and Japan took precisely the same attitude in their quarrels with the United States, and they both assert that the United States has violated a treaty, and are demanding satisfaction, Great Britain by arbitration and Japan in a final note which is soon to come to the United States.

MR. BRYANS
RECENT STATEMENT.

Secretary Bryan's assertion that he is unable to keep up the dignity of his position on twelve thousand dollars a year is causing considerable comment, mostly from his political enemies, however. It is unfortunate that Mr. Bryan made such a statement, as the rank and file of this world will never be able to see how the great Commoner cannot save money on such an income.

Cartoons have begun to appear on the secretary, some of which are calculated to make him cheap in the eyes of many. One paper pictures him as an organ grinder. On the instrument the letters "Chautauqua" appear, while a monkey, on whose cap is the word "Commoner" is holding a tin cup for nickles.

We know comparatively nothing of the cost of keeping up the position of Secretary of State, and will not question Mr. Bryan's assertion to the effect that the emolument is insufficient for him to hold the post without drawing upon his capital.

Mr. Bryan has been in political life long enough to have known something about the cost of official life in Washington, and he certainly should have considered the cost before accepting a position next to the Presidency.

The late Ulysses S. Grant in his last message to Congress alleged that he had been unable to meet the expenses of the White House out of his salary of \$25,000 a year, and recommended that the salary of his successor be made double that amount.

While \$12,000 a year may seem a large salary for a government official, it may be said that the United States pays less to those in power than most European countries. The Czar of Russia gets \$8,000,000 a year, and yet it is said he is always cramped for money.

UNSAFE POLES
IN THE CITY.

The telephone companies are indispensable concerns in any city in which they operate, but they should have a proper regard, in setting up their street equipment for the safety of the public. There is a pole used by one, perhaps both, of the local companies at the corner of King and Fairfax streets which should long ago have been replaced by one better fitted for the service demanded of it. This pole is badly rotted at the base and it is but a question of time before it will fall. During a wind-storm it sways under its load of wires and becomes a positive menace to passers-by, and adjoining property. Wires are frequently broken at this point. The company or companies, responsible for its condition should promptly take means to replace it.

Hard Shell Crabs at Rammel's Cafe

Since it cost a young lady \$25 for the privilege of wearing an exaggerated slit skirt in Richmond yesterday, the custom is not likely to become popular there.

Colonel Roosevelt crossed a canon in Colorado 800 feet above the ground on a cable. Well, it is not the first time they have had the Colonel up in the air.

It is awfully hard to keep out of the limelight. The amount it costs him to live is causing a lot of gossip about the Commoner these days.

These suggestions that divorce be made easy sound mighty reasonable to a lot of people who once figured that two could live as cheaply as one.

Mad dog scare in New Port, says a headline. We have them frequently in places far more important to the nation than New Port, and they don't get the headlines either.

Now they have gone and appointed another poet laureate, when we were assured that we would be spared those official poetic outpourings in the future. It is awfully discouraging.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

A tragedy directly traceable to the sensational motion pictures occurred last night at Parkersburg, W. Va., when Gerald Fowler, a 17-year-old boy, shot Walter Ferrell, aged 9 years, while with some other boys they were playing Wild West, inspired by a picture they had recently seen.

A mob of 100 men, working on the Moffat Road, attempted to run from the grading camp forty Japanese laborers were brought to Steamboat Springs, Colo., from Denver had been housed in cars in the lower end of the town. When the mob went to the place three of the members impersonated officers for the purpose of gaining entrance to the cars. As soon as the doors were thrown open the mob poured into the cars with ropes and slugs and revolvers and ordered the Japs to dress and leave. The mob conducted the Japs two miles east of town and told them that if they returned ropes will be used. Sheriff Chivington arrested three leaders. The Japanese have threatened to appeal to their government if not left alone.

Standing in the doorway of her home, two miles from Chico, Cal., Mrs. Thaddeus Kerns saw her son Thaddeus Kerns, Jr., fall to death in the wreckage of his aeroplane.

A warrant has been issued charging Fred Lump, now being searched for in New York, with being an accessory before and after the fact in the Joshua B. Crawford murder case. The papers have been sent to New York, in Atlanta, Ga., and when found Lump will be brought back to Atlanta. The prosecution charges that Lump was engaged to marry Mrs. Crawford before her marriage to Crawford; that an agreement was made to break this engagement for the woman to marry Crawford, for his money, and then get him out of the way. One of the witnesses for the prosecution, Mrs. C. B. Curran, says she frequently heard Mrs. Crawford say: "I will marry the old turkey buzzard (Crawford) for his money, an dthen marry Lump."

The Hotel Devonshire in Longport on the beach at Atlantic City, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday and women, rushed to the street dressed in night clothes. Practically everything belonging to the guest was destroyed by the fire, only a few having time to save anything. Near by hotels and cottages are taking care of the unfortunate guests of the Devonshire.

One of those safe and sane hydroplanes which imitate a wild duck in the air and on the water gracefully upset yesterday. It just goes to prove our good sense in not riding in them to any great extent.

How foolish all those people must feel who have been clamoring for a strict confirmation of that District Commissioner, now that the Senate has endorsed him without a dissenting vote.

Liquor dealers of Bristol, Va., who for a time desisted on account of the Webb law, have resumed shipment of whisky into Kentucky.

Shot in the arm by Olin McDonald, Clark Doothe died at Salem, Va., and McDonald was jailed.

Albert Ruth, aged twenty-two, of Craigsville, near Kittanning, Pa., despondent because he saw his sweetheart ride by with his rival in a buggy, went to the village schoolhouse and shot himself. The bullet went through his brain, and he died instantly. His mother, Mrs. Mary Ruth, was sitting on a porch of her home when the shot was fired. Hearing it, she rushed to the schoolhouse and collapsed when they saw the body of her son. Miss Emma Taylor said to have been the young man's sweetheart, was prostrated over the tragedy. She said she and Ruth had quarreled over her riding with his rival.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

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